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## 1 2 3 4 5 6 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 8 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 11 In re: No. C 10-80253 MISC WHA 12 JEREMY SHRAMKO, 13 Debtor, ORDER SETTING BRIEFING HEDULE AND HEARING 14 MOTION FOR CONTEMPT ND ENFORCEMENT OF 15 JEREMY SHRAMKO, **SUBPOENA** 16 Petitioner, 17 v. FREEDOM DEBT RELIEF, LLC, 18 19 Respondent. 20

The undersigned judge has received the motion for contempt and enforcement of subpoena filed by debtor-petitioner Jeremy Shramko against Freedom Debt Relief, LLC. Mr. Shramko is a debtor in a bankruptcy action pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. On July 21, 2010, debtor's counsel requested a bankruptcy court order requiring Freedom Debt Relief — which is based in Santa Rosa — to submit to an examination under Bankruptcy Rule 2004 (Exh. A). On August 6, the bankruptcy court granted the motion, and ordered that Freedom Debt Relief submit to such an examination (Exh. B). Debtor's counsel then prepared a subpoena with an attached notice of examination, and signed the subpoena

pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2004(c) (Exh. C). After serving this subpoena on Freedom Debt
Relief on August 17 for an examination to occur at 10:00 a.m. on September 7 at a court
reporter's office in Santa Rosa, Freedom Debt Relief failed to appear at the noticed examination
(Exhs. D and E).

The instant motion seeks two forms of relief: (1) a contempt order against Freedom Debt Relief for costs and attorney's fees in the amount of \$2,720 caused by the alleged non-compliance with the debtor's examination subpoena, and (2) an order for Freedom Debt Relief to appear for a debtor's examination, as described in the subpoena, on a date selected by the Court (Br. 5).

The following schedule will govern. Freedom Debt Relief shall file an opposition brief to the instant motion no later than NOON ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4. Any reply must be filed BY NOON ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8. Counsel for Mr. Shramko and Freedom Debt Relief must then meet and confer *in person* FROM 8:00 A.M. UNTIL 11:00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, in the jury room of Courtroom 9 on the 19th floor of the federal courthouse located at 450 Golden Gate Ave. in San Francisco. Counsel shall check-in with chambers on the 19th floor at 8:00 a.m. upon arrival. If the dispute is not resolved, the undersigned judge will hold a hearing at 11 a.m. on any remaining issues.\* Only counsel present at the meet and confer will be allowed to argue at the hearing.

Counsel shall ensure that respondent Freedom Debt Relief is promptly served with a copy of this order, the motion, and all supporting documents and exhibits to the motion.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 21, 2010.

WILLIAM ALSUP UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

<sup>\*</sup> The November 10 hearing date replaces the November 18 hearing date previously noticed by debtor's counsel.